



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: **Keith D. ALLEN *et al.***

Serial No.: **10/010,065**

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Title: **Transgenic Mice Containing Glucagon
Receptor Gene Disruptions**

Group Art Unit: **1632**

Examiner: **Bertoglio, Valerie E**

Customer No. **26619**

Docket/Order No. **R-648**

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AFTER FINAL AMENDMENT

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Dear Ms. Bertoglio:

In response to the final Office Action mailed August 13, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants request entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition for the Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for response to the Office Action for a period of one month from November 13, 2003 up to and including December 15, 2003 (insofar as December 13, 2003 falls on a Saturday).

Applicants note that prior to the mailing of this final Office Action, claim amendments were proposed to the Examiner by telephone by an attorney of record (Nicole A. Verona), which amendments were faxed to the Examiner (on June 10 and June 17, 2003). However, according to the Examiner, the amendments were not entered as they failed to list the status of claims 1-56. Apparently, no subsequent amendment listing the status of these claims was received by the Examiner. The instant amendment attempts to adopt all claim amendments proposed to and approved by the Examiner, and is believed to overcome any outstanding rejections, including those cited in the instant Office Action. Therefore, this amendment constitutes a proper reply to a final Office Action, and places the claims in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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